

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÅTÑA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2011-09

RELATIVE TO ADOPTING AND PROMULGATING THE UPDATED 2011 GUAM HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, because of its geographic location, Guam is under constant threat of certain natural disasters liable to cause mass casualties, injuries, loss of real property and/or damage to our island's natural environment; and

WHEREAS, the Government of Guam created a comprehensive strategy to mitigate casualties, injuries and damage from future such events. The 2011 Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan ("Plan") demonstrates Guam's continued commitment to reduce risk of losses from natural and man-made hazards and serves as a strategic guide for Guam's decision makers as they commit resources to reduce the effects of these hazards; and

WHEREAS, Guam relies both on technical and logistical assistance from federal partners during response and recovery operations during and after catastrophic events, making collaborative pre-planning efforts and partnerships between all parties a critical necessity; and

WHEREAS, the Plan describes Guam's procedures for identifying hazards, risk and vulnerabilities. It also identifies and prioritizes mitigation actions, encourages the ongoing development and effective implementation of Guam's specific mitigation strategies and provides technical support for these efforts; and

WHEREAS, this Plan meets all the requirements of Section 409 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1988 and Section 322 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. This includes meeting the requirement that the Plan be adopted by the Government of Guam and fulfilling all compliance standards of the "Crosswalk", the name for the specific criteria developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and utilized by communities throughout the Nation to evaluate and approve these respective Plans;

NOW, THEREFORE I, EDWARD J. B. CALVO, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan,* Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby promulgate the 2011 Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan to be effective as of the date set forth herein; and further order the following:

1. This Executive Order and attached Plan supersedes Executive Order No. 2005-06 relative to adopting and promulgating the Guam Emergency Response Plan, and Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan, and supersedes Executive Order 97-18 relative to establishing a



Guam Hazard Mitigation Advisory Committee and authorizing the Guam Hazard Mitigation Plan;

- 2. All other mitigation activities by the appropriate entities and government agencies shall be in accordance with the Mitigation Strategy as developed and presented within this Plan; and
- 3. Any further updates to this Plan shall be coordinated via the established Plan Maintenance Process through the Guam State Hazard Mitigation Officer with the Guam Homeland Security and Office of Civil Defense and the Guam Hazard Mitigation Advisory Committee; and
- 4. This Plan supersedes any previous Hazard Mitigation Plans purporting to address disaster recovery or rescue matters and shall serve as Appendix A, as amended, in the Guam Emergency Response Plan.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam this 20th day of April, 2011.

EDWARD J. B. CALVO I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

RAYMOND S. TENORIO I Segundu na Maga'lahen Guåhan Lieutenant Governor of Guam

